

Observations

1. Attleborough Members currently comprises 22 members, which include 8 committee members. While the 2-metre rule is in operation, additional members will only be permitted if this rule can be rigorously maintained and guidance will govern the number of members allowed at any given rehearsal.
2. Eccles Village Hall is a spacious, Covid-Secure venue that allows 18 members appropriately socially distanced.
3. Rehearsals have a two-week gap between them, and there will be two days between the last rehearsal and the performance.
4. The committee are responsible for minimising risk to members, but members agree to take personal responsibility to mitigate their own risk of infection.

Risks

1. Infection by physical association on arrival and departure

- 1.1 Members will wear face-masks on entering and leaving the venue (exemptions apply).
- 1.2 Members will be required to remain in their vehicles until instructed by committee.
- 1.3 Member 'clicks' will not be allowed to mingle between rehearsals.
- 1.4 Entry will not be granted to rehearsal until hand sanitiser is used, track & trace is appropriately filled in and a temperature check takes place.

2. Infection during rehearsal

- 2.1 Members will be seated 2 metres apart and, when standing, will stand in front of their chair.
- 2.2 Masks will be worn during distribution of music, although ideally this should be done electronically.
- 2.3 Sharing of materials is not allowed.
- 2.4 No refreshments will be provided: members may bring their own water-bottles.
- 2.5 Any singer feeling unwell will be immediately excused from attendance.
- 2.6 Anyone feeling unwell before or during a service is immediately excused from attending.
- 2.7 If a member, or a close contact of a member tests positive they must alert the committee immediately.

3. Infection due to singing

- 3.1 There is no direct evidence that singing is more prone to the spread of the virus than speaking. Training of good vocal technique will be directly taught and exercised, including the capacity to produce good tone with the minimum expulsion of air: one breath should be sufficient for some 15 seconds of singing.
- 3.2 In the venue, singers should be positioned in a way to avoid face-to-face singing with each other, and the session leaders.
- 3.3. During breaks, face-masks should be worn indoors (exemptions apply).

4. Ventilation

- 4.1 Windows will be opened to maximise ventilation.
- 4.2 For rehearsals the internal doors will be left open.

6. Although every mitigation has been taken to minimise risk to members, it is understood that rehearsals are attended at one's own risk, members agree to the procedures outlined above and Attleborough Players cannot be liable for members catching Covid-19.